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CHRISTMAS 1921

Nineteen hundred and twenty-one years ago the world received the greatest Christmas message of all time, one that has rung down the ages, an inspiration to better living and better feeling among men.

Though the world has had the message, "Peace on Earth, good will to Men," that ideal condition has never been attained. Through the ages it seemed almost beyond the dreams of man; yet men have dreamed on in each generation. The pendulum has swung on backward and forward and wars followed years of comparative peace, successive efforts to bring the nations into a realization of the futility of war as the sure way to justice, has made progress.

Never has the dream of universal peace seemed closer to its realization than it is today when the great nations assembled in Washington have through their representatives frankly presented a program which appeals to the hearts and consciences of all the world. The success which has so far marked the progress of the conference bids rise to the hope that Christmas this year will find the issuance of another message, confirming that given the Wise Men as they journeyed toward Bethlehem.

The consummation of the program at Washington will give us reason for Christmas cheer. It will more than offset all the trials and tribulations of a year fraught with difficulties and trials. The burdens of the world will be lighter, and with the knowledge that they will be relieved of the terrible toll of war new hopes and ambitions will surge in the minds and hearts of men every-

where, so that they will take up with renewed vigor the daily tasks of peace.

That is all the world needs to bring back to earth the prosperity which produces happiness, which makes Christmas cheer a living thing. No matter what our station, no matter what our condition, we here in America should not lose one ray of Christmas cheer this year, for we have suffered less than all mankind, and more, through the great and good government of our people, devoid of avarice, seeking naught that is not justly ours, we have furnished the agency with which to draw the nations of the world into accord. In that thought of having been of service to all mankind, America this year can echo the message of old, "peace on earth, good will to men."

THE SPECIAL SESSION

When this was written in Portland on Monday, it was apparent that the effort to put the fair tax bill on the ballot, by an act of the legislature is not to have an easy time. In fact, it seemed almost doomed to a failure if real property is to be taxed for its support.

Judging by the sentiment gathered at Pendleton during the Irrigation Congress and in the lobby of the Imperial, the lawmakers from the sage brush and from the upper reaches of the Willamette, were not enjoying the situation. They were not at that time, at least, for the fair program.

The thing which worried them, at least some of them, was that if they should defeat the measure in the legislature and then have it submitted, to the people by the people by the initiative petition, and it carried in an election, how could they run for any office which would require the vote of Portlanders. It must be realized that nearly every legislator has a hankering for some state job higher up.

At the present time, with the taxpayers in every section just through with budget sessions, opposition to the Fair is at its height. The legislature knows this, and knows that the statewide publicity campaign has not been started, and while it is al-

most certain that the Fair will be defeated in the up state districts, it will carry so overwhelmingly in Portland that the outcome is doubtful.

Everywhere over the state, it is apparent, a realization has been reached that Oregon has reached a state of single tax by the back door; that real estate is taxed out of private hands; the limit has been reached. That realization, perhaps, more than anything else is causing the legislators to pause. And for that reason it is believed here by observers from outside of Portland that the Fair measure will not go on the ballot with the sanction of the legislature. When this is printed however, this prediction may prove false, for there is no doubting the fight that the Fair bunch is putting up at Salem, but if they do win they will have furnished a real surprise for some keen prophets.

COLONIZE THE LANDS

While not curtailing its enthusiasm for the reclamation of Oregon lands by irrigation, the members of the executive committee and the members of the Oregon Irrigation Congress in session at Pendleton last week manifested a greater interest in the colonization of lands already reclaimed.

This is the second phase of the reclamation movement which has occupied the attention of Eastern Oregonians for many years. It is needless to say to anyone in this section of the state that irrigation without settlement is almost useless, but it is necessary for the Irrigation Congress to impress this fact upon the people on the westside where they are not as conversant with the problems of Eastern Oregon as they should be.

The thing that impresses one from this section is the need of making the people now on irrigated lands prosperous. That is a task to which the Congress will direct its efforts too, in conjunction with the officials of the Agricultural college and Federal departments. To us it is the most important task. When the settlers on irrigated tracts are placed upon the road to permanent prosperity it will be easy to secure settlers, and with the demand for irrigated lands increasing, the question of reclaiming more lands can be attacked with more enthusiasm.

ADRIAN NEWS

Earl Bernard was an Adrian visitor Friday.

Mr. Williams has again leased the garage, where he will pick turkeys and send out his Christmas shipment.

Mrs. W. W. Smith and son, Cecil, were shopping in the city Friday.

Mrs. Bill Cone is substituting as teacher of the Wade school for Mrs. Hallworth who is quite ill with rheumatism.

Many people from Adrian as well as Owyhee, attended the Evangelistic meetings which were held in the basement of the new school house in Dist. 47. During the evening spent there twenty seven people were converted.

A Cheery Christmas spirit cannot help but enter the hearts of those who enter into Holly Bros. store, owing to the beautiful Christmas decorations which always remind us of the great day so near at hand.

Mrs. Earl Caverhill and son were the guests of the latter's grandmother, Mrs. Susie Pomeroy, Saturday evening.

Mr. Hill received a telegram on Sunday evening of the death of a relative at Nampa, where he went as soon as possible.

Peter Christensen recently traded his gasoline engine to Eolt. Overstreet for a set of harness and eight Leghorn hens, which will properly supply the market with eggs.

Mr. McPherson of Caldwell, was looking after business interests in Adrian Tuesday.

Merritt Greeing is home from the Weiser Institute to spend his Christmas vacation.

George Reed shipped a large crate of very nice Rhode Island Red chickens to Portland markets Monday.

Old "Saint Nick" is coming in a sleigh this year, which will be much nicer. In fact everyone feels more like it was Christmas of account of the new fallen snow.

ADMINISTRATORS NOTICE TO CREDITORS

NOTICE is hereby given that the undersigned has been appointed by the County Court of the State of Oregon, for Malheur County, as administrator of the estate of Oscar Merrill, deceased. All persons having claims against the estate of said deceased, are hereby required to present the same to the undersigned at the law office of C. McConagill, in Ontario, Oregon, duly verified as required by law, within six months from the date of the first publication of this notice.

ROY S. KELLEY,
Administrator of the estate of Oscar Merrill, deceased.

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HAILY-HULBERT

The friends of Walter Haily, formerly of Ontario, will be interested to know of his marriage to Mrs. Hulbert, in California last week. Mr. Haily was with the U. S. Manufacturing Co. here for over a year, and Mrs. Hulbert is the daughter of Mr. and Mrs. W. W. Hinton of Ontario.

VALLEY VIEW

School closed last Friday for two weeks. Miss Margaret Griffin will spend the holidays with her parents and Miss Lois Halstead left for Vale Tuesday to take the teachers' examination. Miss Halstead holds a Washington certificate but changing to Oregon makes it necessary to take the examination.

Last Wednesday a number of relatives and friends gathered at the home of D. Horace Brown to help him celebrate his 79th birthday. A bounteous dinner was enjoyed by all present. Four generations were represented. Grandma Sherwood, first; Minnie Brown, second, (wife of D. H. Brown) Jess Brown, third; and his son David; also Will Brown and son Arthur Horace. Others present were, Mr. and Mrs. Will Rees, Mr. and Mrs. T. Penn and three boys; Mr. and Mrs. Knox Alexander and son Richard; Hannah Brown, Coy, Andrew and Jess Brown and daughter and Mr. and Mrs. A. F. Burr and daughter.

Mr. Moeller sold his hay last week to Mr. Polk, representing Senator Stanfield, for \$4.00 a ton and furnishes feed racks and the feeding grounds. He was offered \$3.00 per ton for last year's stacks but refused to take it.

Colds seem to be very fashionable in the Valley View neighborhood now. Mrs. Ed Ingraham has been suffering considerably and it seems to be affecting her lungs.

Mr. and Mrs. Kelso and son of Ontario and Mr. and Mrs. Will Brown and children spent Sunday with D. H. Brown and family. Ernest and Lawrence Burr were visiting Wynne Brown that day.

Mr. and Mrs. A. H. McCreagor, near Ontario visited with Ed Ingraham and family on Sunday.

Skating and duck hunting is being enjoyed by the school boys this week as they are having their vacation.

Albert Bellisle's had the misfortune to have their cellar broken into Sunday night and thirty jars of fruit stolen. No doubt the empty jars would come in handy next summer if the borrower would return them before then.

Sunday services at the school house Dec. 25 will be conducted by the Nazarine minister.



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